

## SHIVERY EAST SIDE TO GET COAL TO-DAY

Half Ton Lots Will Go to  
1,300 Families Having  
Orders on File.

## BARGE LOAD DIVERTED

Delancey Street Situation  
Said to Be Causing  
Suffering.

## TRUCKS TO START EARLY

British Fuel Just Beginning  
to Find Ready Purchasers  
in New York City.

As a Christmas surprise, thirteen hundred families on the lower East side who have been short of stove size hard coal will receive a half ton each to-morrow, delivered by Burns Brothers at the prevailing scale, George J. Eltz, Deputy Fuel Administrator for Manhattan, announced last night.

Arrangement was effected yesterday between officials of the company and Mr. Eltz, who said, whereby a barge load of this fuel, amounting to 650 tons, which came in yesterday, will be devoted to this relief.

The Burns fleet of trucks accordingly will set out to-morrow morning through the Delancey street section, where need is greatest, and will leave a 1,000 pound portion with each household whose order has been on file—as practical a Christmas cheer as the neighborhood probably could desire.

### Goes to Regular Customers.

This coal, Mr. Eltz pointed out, will go to customers who usually buy in one and two ton lots and are not dependent upon the "peddlers' pool," which provides smaller users with bags of coal by the hundred pounds. Well able to pay for coal, they have been unable to get it because of the shortage in domestic sizes, he said.

Heretofore delivery facilities in New York city have been under such pressure that coal companies have been unable to make "installment deliveries" without sacrifice of the emergency coal movement as a whole, coal men have said. Exception was made, according to Mr. Eltz, both because the situation in the Delancey street region is acute and because even fuel authorities and dealers like to get their hands in on Christmas spirit wherever their present strenuous position permits.

### To Finish by Nightfall.

The Burns motor "coal kitchens" are expected to complete their routes before nightfall Tuesday. Each ten-ton truck is equipped with automatic apparatus which will apportion and weigh allotments on the spot without loss of time. Ramblings of additional discontent in Brooklyn with Samuel Drummond, deputy fuel chief there, were reported last night.

Much British coal still is being received in this country, according to the Black Diamond, one of the officials of the coal industry. The number of purchasers apparently has increased. Some of the larger consumers in New York city, it said, have begun to buy British coal, which still is quoted at prices under those prevailing on American grades. Up to a week or so ago most of the overseas product was being bought by New England.

## HOLDUP MEN GET COIN MANAGER TOOK HOME

Robbers Work in Vestibule of  
Apartment House.

While in the vestibule of the four story apartment house at 402 Gold street, Brooklyn, in which he lives, A. H. Kirk, manager of an Atlantic and Pacific tea store at North Seventh street and Bedford avenue, was held up early yesterday and robbed of \$247. The money represented the day's proceeds at the store and about \$20 of the victim's own money.

He has been the custom of Kirk to bring the store money to his home at night. He believes that somebody became aware of this and followed him. His arms were filled with bundles of groceries. He had just inserted the key into the lock of an inner door when he felt something hard pressed against his back and a voice warn him to be quiet. While one man held a revolver over his head, another two others rifled his pockets. By the time Kirk gave an alarm the three hold-up men had escaped.

## SHOOTS TRIO AT PARTY AFTER BEING IGNORED

Assailant Then Affords Police  
Chase in Taxicab.

Aggrieved because he was not invited to a party Saturday night, Tony Salva, 37, of 22 East Twenty-ninth street, is said by the police to have taken a few shots yesterday at the invited guests at Third avenue and Thirty-ninth street. After three men had been hit Salva leaped into a taxicab and gave five detectives of the East Thirty-fifth street station a chase of half a mile before he was captured. Both Salva and the taxi chauffeur, who said he was Anthony Constantino of Corona, L. I., were arrested on charges of felonious assault.

The wounded men, who are in Bellevue Hospital, are Tony Arcan of 382 Third avenue, Walter Marguacelo of 233 East Twenty-ninth street and Tony Garcia of 213 West Eighteenth street. Detectives Barrett, Smith, Barry, O'Brien and Goettein joined in the chase, commanding another taxi and, after firing several shots, eventually crowding the fleeing motor car to the sidewalk.

## MUST KEEP HIS TWIN SOBREL.

Yonkers Boy Agrees to Do It and  
Brother Is Freed.

When John and Joseph Lyons, brothers, both 18, of 414 Saw Mill River road, Yonkers, were held by the police, the "twin twins" because of their strong resemblance, appeared in Yonkers City Court yesterday, charged with intoxication, was released on the promise of Joseph to make him remain temperate.

## 12 POUNDS OF TRIPE GIVE CHAMPION EATER A START

Pretensions of Man Who Ate Nine Lobsters Annoy  
Manager of Free Style Food Grappler,  
Who Issues Challenge.

None of this peace and good-will that folks are singing about to-day is to be found inside Mike Mario of 209 Park Row. Christmas or not, Mr. Mario is just about as irritated as a normal man can be and keep free of the police. Mr. Mario is the manager for Ludwig Consumo who, Mr. Mario says, even a press agent ought to know is the unchallenged champion free-style eater of the world. Mr. Mario and his champion, whose wife is Olga Veuvius, the champion lady heavyweight wrestler of the world, came to the New York Herald office last night with a newspaper clipping which had it that Harry Wohl, 87 Bayard street claims the championship on the strength of having eaten nine pounds of beefsteak recently.

"This clipping," said Mr. Mario, controlling himself with great difficulty, "says that this man Wohl who nobody ever heard of before ate nine lobsters at a sitting in a place at 37 Grove street. He won \$25 for doing it. It says that he's champion eater because he ate nine pounds of meat. Say, listen, my man Ludwig Consumo can eat this man stuff before he reaches the entrance."

"Nine lobsters for a side bet of \$25? Why listen, my man eats lobsters by the catch. It's a good thing my man Consumo can't read. If he had seen this clipping before I did and if he could have read it he'd have eat this man Wohl. My man Consumo won't eat nine lobsters for any twenty-five bucks. He'll eat them for nothing and pay twenty-five bucks to any man in the world to start eating with him from then on."

"And as for ten pounds of porterhouse! Listen, my man never ate as lit-

tle as ten pounds of porterhouse since his fifth birthday when he broke all the European juvenile eating records and almost caused a revolution in Italy. Ten pounds of porterhouse? Why, any eater ought to put away a snack like that just to show his appreciation of good meat. What can this man Wohl do with tripe? Listen, I'll tell you what my man Consumo will do.

"He'll take on Harry Wohl any time for a side bet of \$250 and lower pay for the victuals and start eating at three in the afternoon. Mr. Wohl won't have to start until four. My man will put away twelve pounds of uncut tripe the first fifteen minutes or forfeit \$50. Then he'll lay in a couple of dozen of eggs, because eggs ease the stomach, and wad 'em down with four loaves of bread in a quart of milk. If my man ain't hungry at the end of the hour he'll forfeit it to this man Mr. Wohl another fifty bucks.

"At four o'clock both men starts eating in earnest and there will be a five minutes rest at five o'clock. After that may the best man win. We don't bar anything. If Mr. Harry Wohl wants lobsters used what does he say to eating the claws, shells and all? Only one other thing. If either man quits eating before seven in the evening he doesn't lose just the side bet but has to forfeit 100 bucks in addition. That's to keep the pikers out. My man eats straight—no tricks or anything like that.

"If Mr. Harry Wohl is in earnest let him send his reply to me at 209 Park Row where he'll find me managing a movie show and looking after the interests of my man Consumo. Outside what I said here he can make any conditions he wants only I'll do the cooking for my man Consumo.

## FIVE PERSONS DIE FROM ESCAPING GAS

Woman and Her Four Children,  
Also Overcome, Are  
Saved by Surgeons.

Five persons died from escaping gas yesterday. All were recorded as accidents. At least a half dozen others were overcome, by gas, most of them from tubes that had become disconnected.

Cornelius O'Neill, aged 50, of 370 West Eighteenth street, was found dead in his room, with gas coming from a tube that had become loosened from a stove. Herman Gunther, aged 60, of 250 East Fifty-first street, was found dead in bed. The gas in the room was turned on. James Varley, aged 40, of 65 Catherine street, was found dead in his room. The gas jet in the room had been blown out by the breeze coming through a window. Edward Fronhofer was found dead in a furnished room house at 912 Broadway, Brooklyn. Gas was coming from a heater in which the blaze had gone out. The dead body of Michael La Roca was found in another rooming house at High street. A gas cock on a chandelier was open.

Mrs. Angelina Albano and her four children were overcome by gas in their home at 555 Hamilton avenue, Brooklyn. They were revived after surgeons had worked over them forty-five minutes with pulmonary.

## \$1,000,000 WILSON FUND ON EVE OF COMPLETION

Delegation to Felicitate Former President on Birthday.

The trustees and members of the executive committee of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation will meet at luncheon at the Hotel Biltmore Wednesday to celebrate the birthday of the foundation's efforts to obtain an endowment. Reports from throughout the country will be read.

Known contributions yesterday totaled more than \$600,000 and it is expected that the goal of \$1,000,000 will be reached by Thursday. Mr. Wilson's birthday. On that day a delegation will go to Washington to felicitate the former President upon the completion of the endowment.

## THOUSANDS TREAD NEW BOARDWALK AT CONEY

Second Section Thrown Open  
to Public.

The second stretch of Coney Island's boardwalk to be completed, extending from West Fifth street to West Seventeenth street, was opened officially yesterday at Jerome avenue and 181st street. The Bronx, Motorman John Krohs of 346 Stuyvesant avenue, Lyndhurst, N. J., told Patrolman Newmann of the Highbridge station that he was slowing down for the 181st street station when he saw Fitzpatrick's body lying across the track. It was too late for him to stop before the first truck passed over the body.

## KILLED ON 'L' TRACKS; MOTORMAN IS HELD

Saw Man Lying on Rails Too  
Late to Stop.

John J. Fitzpatrick, 33, a chauffeur, of 205 West Eighth street, was killed by a Ninth avenue elevated train yesterday at Jerome avenue and 181st street. The Bronx, Motorman John Krohs of 346 Stuyvesant avenue, Lyndhurst, N. J., told Patrolman Newmann of the Highbridge station that he was slowing down for the 181st street station when he saw Fitzpatrick's body lying across the track. It was too late for him to stop before the first truck passed over the body.

## IOWA "U" CLUB TO DINE.

Dean Russell Will Represent  
Faculty at Affair.

George E. Roberts, vice-president of the National City Bank, will be one of the speakers at the annual dinner of the University of Iowa Association of New York City in the Cafe Boulevard Friday evening, January 5. The university faculty will be represented by Dean Russell. Other speakers will be Dr. J. Percival Hugget, pastor of the Tompkins Avenue Congregational Church of Brooklyn and Dr. Dwight Witherspoon White, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church of New York.

## GIRL SHOT SAVING FATHER IN HOLDUP

Rushes in Front of Gun as  
Bandit Attempts to Kill  
Parent.

## GETS WOUND IN NECK

Four Who Try to Rob Players  
in Card Game Flee in  
Excitement.

Miss Anna Pelligrino, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Giacomo Pelligrino of 824 Glenwood road, Brooklyn, saved her father's life last night when one of four bandits attempted to shoot him. Flinging herself between the man and Pelligrino, she wound her arms about her father's neck and shielded his body with her own, so that the bullet pierced the left side of her neck but did not touch Pelligrino. The bandits escaped when the girl fell unconscious to the floor.

Miss Pelligrino was at work in her father's bakery, when she heard unusual noises from the apartment of John Casterino, on the second floor, where she knew her father and several friends were playing cards. She listened and heard voices that were unknown to her, so she went into the hallway and slipped quietly up the stairs, stopping now and then to listen. At the doorway she put her ear to the keyhole and heard a man say:

"Keep 'em up or I'll kill you!" The girl opened the door softly and went into the apartment. She saw her father and the other card players backed against the wall while four men armed with revolvers stood in the center of the room. Three of the bandits were gathering up the money that the card players had been using, and the fourth kept his revolver pointed at Casterino, Pelligrino and the others.

The revolver was waving from one man to another as Miss Pelligrino opened the door, but her father took advantage of the stir caused by her entrance to make a jump for the holdup

man. The girl saw the pistol steady and then she saw the finger of the bandit pressing the trigger. She screamed, and before he could fire she jumped against him, while her father continued to rush at him. But the man leveled his gun again, and this time the girl threw herself in front of her father. She stopped his rush and at the same time she flung and twisted herself so that her body was between her father and the bandit.

The next instant the bandit fired, and the bullet struck her in the neck. The bandits ran down the stairs, and so did all of the card players except Pelligrino and Casterino. Later the girl was sent to the Kings County Hospital, where it was said that her condition was not serious.

## RECTORY FIRE, THOUGHT SET, IMPERILS SEVEN

Four Priests and Servants  
Rescued at Woburn, Mass.

Woburn, Mass., Dec. 24.—Four priests, a housekeeper and two maids of the parish residence of St. Charles Roman Catholic Church here were imperiled to-day by fire believed to have been of incendiary origin.

The Rev. John P. Gorham, pastor of the church, and the Revs. William Ke-ville, Walter A. Fegan and Patrick Quill were aroused and assisted down ladders to safety, while other firemen carried Miss Catherine Hunt, the residence housekeeper, and two maids to safety. The offices and living quarters were gutted before the flames were extinguished.

State police and city officers said they believe the fire to have been set. They found a window in the basement of the residence broken.

## CHRISTMAS GIVER SLASHED.

Plumber Charges That Ungrateful  
Barber Cut Him.

Max Birnbaum, a plumber of 601 West 177th street, went into a barber shop at 508 Sixth avenue yesterday and had a shave, shine, haircut, shampoo, tonic and mind massage, after which he felt so well that he decided to give cigars to all the barbers. The barbers accepted the cigars with thanks, except Francis Butera, 26, of 345 Melrose street, The Bronx, who informed Birnbaum that he smoked only cigarettes.

Birnbaum said cigars were good enough for anybody. An argument followed, and Butera is alleged to have cut Birnbaum on the cheek. He was arrested.

From the Writings of the Founder

In All the Coinage of Days  
Since the World Began

No Day Ever Equaled the

Birthday of Mary's Son  
in the Stable of the  
Little Inn of Bethlehem

For Thousands of Years

the expectant world waited for the Christmas that came with its wonderful gift over which the angels sang

"peace on earth, good will to men."

Christmas is a Man born—not a sentiment.

To get right with Christmas would make men right with one another, nation with nation, and put together again aright this old world, almost falling to pieces.

Let us pay tribute to Christmas!

(Signed) John W. Haman

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Hemstitched Linens

Sheets . . . per pair \$12.75, 16.50  
Pillow Cases . . . per pair 2.50, 3.25  
Huck Towels, per dozen 6.50, 8.75, 10.75, 12.00

Glass and Kitchen Towels  
with woven-in lettering . . . per dozen \$6.00

## Bed Furnishings

All-wool Blankets

White; also colored plaids, . . . per pair \$9.50, 11.50  
White only (selected quality)  
per pair . . . \$13.50, 16.50, 22.50

Comfortables

Figured silkoline, cotton-filled . . . each \$3.50  
Figured mull, cotton-filled . . . each 5.00  
Figured sateen, with plain sateen border and back; wool-filled . . . each \$8.50

White Bedspreads

Crotched (extra size) . . . each \$2.65  
Satin-finish, with scalloped edge:

Size 2 x 2 3/4 yards . . . each \$4.25  
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